from Chingam 1097 to Tulam 1098, the number of cases detected, and the number undetected, up to the end of Kanni 1098.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI:

No. of cases reported	45
No. of cases detected	22
No. of cases referred as false	1
No. of cases undetected	18
No. of cases pending Police investigation.	4

Education, etc. of Sambavars.

146. MR T. LAKSHMANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to furnish information on the following points:

(*a*) the number of Sambavar students attending the Sirkar schools in the Shencottah taluk;

(*b*) the number of grant-in-aid Sambavar schools existing in that taluk;

(*c*) the steps Government propose to take to increase the number of grant-in-aid Sambavar schools;

(*d*) the extent of *puduval* lands, if any, registered in the names of the members of the Sambavar community in the Tovala, Agastiswaram, Kalkulam and Shencottah taluks, in pursuance of the Government orders regarding concessional grants of land to the depressed classes; and

(*e*) the action, if any, taken on the several suggestions made by the General Secretary of the Travancore Sambavar Sangham for the advancement of the Sambavar community at the seventeenth session of the Assembly?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (*a*) 2.

(*b*) 1.

(*c*) Government do not propose to take any special steps.

(*d*) 1 acre and 31 cents of *puduval* lands have been registered on concessional terms in the names of the members of the Sambavar community in the Tovala taluk. No lands have been registered in the other three taluks.

(*e*) As regards the provision of roads, wells, dwelling sites, etc., requested by the General Secretary, Sambavar Sangham, a programme of work is in course of preparation. A narrow strip of land, 30 to 40 cents in extent, lying between the Ariankavu river and the Quilon-Shencottah road and lying within the Kulattuppuzha reserve, is being ordered to be disafforested for registry in the name of Subramanian Ananchaperumal Sambavar of Shencottah. A building grant has been promised to the Sambavar Industrial School of rattan and bamboo works at Chingavanam. Application for the grant of free passes to collect raw materials from forests had to be refused in the interests of forest conservancy. As regards the registry of lands to members of the Sambavar community in Parassala, the necessary orders have been

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issued. Lists of lands earmarked for registry in the names of the depressed classes have been ordered to be hung up in the Taluk and Pakuthi Cutcherries.

Education of Tamilian Mukkuvar Christians of Vilavankod and Kalkulam taluks.

147. MR. T. LAKSHMANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether any school has been established for the education of Tamilian Mukkuvar Christians in the Vilavankod and Kalkulam taluks and whether any encouragement has been held out to them for education by way of scholarships, as was done in the case of the Sambavar and Cheramar communities?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: The answer is in the negative.

Statement of appointments held by Vellalas and other Tamilian Hindus.

148. MR. T. LAKSHMANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the number of appointments carrying a pay of Rs. 50 and above, held by:

(1) Saiva Vellalas;
(2) Nanjanad Vellalas;
(3) Other Vellalas; and
(4) Saliars, Hindu Nadars and other Tamil-speaking Hindus?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: A statement* furnishing the information required by the member is laid on the table.

Cost of Irrigation in Edanad and Nanjanad.

149. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI: (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state how many miles of irrigation channels there are in Nanjanad and Edanad respectively?

(*b*) What are the amounts sanctioned for channel maintenance and water supply in Nanjanad and Edanad respectively? Out of the total allotment under these heads, what amounts are expended on the salaries of the temporary establishments of maistries and watchers? According to this account, what is the present expenditure per acre?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to ascertain and state the rate of expenditure per acre for channel maintenance and water distribution under the Periyar Project?

(*d*) If the rate here is higher, will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for the same?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) The length of irrigation channels in Nanjanad and Edanad:

Nanjanad	...	192 miles.
Edanad	...	113 ,,
Main feeding channels and drainage channels common to both Nanjanad and Edanad	...	14¾ ,,
Total	...	319¾ miles.

* *Vide* Appendix I—page 509.

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